

# GM723

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, DAVID J. GIERLACH, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

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Statement of  
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Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

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Room 016, Hawaii State Capitol

In consideration of  
**G.M. 723**

**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII  
PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GUBERNATORIAL  
NOMINEE, DAVID J. GIERLACH, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2015**

Madam Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with comments regarding Governor's Message 723, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority Board of Directors, Gubernatorial Nominee, DAVID J. GIERLACH, for a term to expire June 30, 2015.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) supports the confirmation of Mr. Gierlach to the HPHA Board of Directors. The HPHA Board needs directors with a variety of life experiences and professional expertise in order to effectively fulfill its role as policy guide for the agency. Mr. Gierlach's many years of service to the O'ahu community, particularly with respect to his work with low-income housing advocacy groups, makes him a valuable addition to the Board of Directors. His appointment will further provide the Board with the advantage of his many years of professional experience in the practice of law locally.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Human Services with the agency's position regarding G.M. 723. We respectfully request the Committee to confirm Mr. Gierlach to the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority Board of Directors.